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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SALUTING THE MILITARY SERVICE OF SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE MARINE CORPS RONALD L. GREEN OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Green assumed his current post as the 18th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps on February 20, 2015. A native of Jackson, Mississippi, he attended recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina, in November 1983. He has been meritoriously promoted to the ranks of Private First Class, Lance Corporal, Corporal, Sergeant and Staff Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Sergeant Major Green has been assigned numerous duties to include: Field Artillery Cannoneer; Field Artillery Nuclear Projectileman; Tower Operator; Drill Instructor, Senior Drill Instructor and Drill Master; Battery Section Chief, Battery Gunnery Sergeant and Assistant Marine Officer Instructor at Southern University and A&M College; First Sergeant of Inspector-Instructor Staff, B Company, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marine Regiment; and Sergeant Major of Headquarters Marine

Corps Henderson Hall, Marine Corps Forces Europe/Marine Corps Forces Africa, and 1st Marine Expeditionary Force; and

WHEREAS, he was deployed to Somalia with the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) during Operation Restore Hope in 1993; to South America in support of Operation United Americas (UNITAS) in 2002; and with Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Green holds a Bachelor of Science
Degree in Cybersecurity and a Master of Science Degree in
Cybersecurity Policy from the University of Maryland University
College. Sergeant Major Ronald Green attended Jim Hill High
School and played in the band, and attended Alcorn State
University, Lorman, Mississippi, for one year. Sergeant Major
Green's father, Wilbur Walters, is a retired Deputy Superintendent
of Schools in Hinds County; his mother passed away in 2003. He
has two brothers and one sister who reside in Jackson,
Mississippi. One of his brothers is the Assistant Chair of the
Engineering Department at Jackson State University; and

WHEREAS, the post of Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps was established in 1957 as the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Commandant of the Marine Corps, the first such post in any of the five branches of the United States Armed Forces. In 1970, the distinctive rank insignia of the Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps was authorized and features the Eagle, Globe and Anchor

flanked by two stars, as opposed to the standard Sergeant Major rank insignia, which was used for the rank from the post's creation in 1957 to 1970, and has a single five-point star in the center. While Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps is the full wording of the rank, verbal address for this is commonly "Sergeant Major." The Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps is selected by the Commandant of the Marine Corps and typically serves a four-year term, though his service is at the discretion of the Commandant. Since Wilbur Bestwick was appointed the first Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps in 1957, 18 different Marines have filled this post; and

WHEREAS, we join the Commandant of the Marine Corps in extending the thanks of a grateful state with gratitude and appreciation for outstanding performance of duty:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby salute the Military Service of Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps Ronald L. Green of Jackson, Mississippi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Sergeant Major Green and his family, forwarded to the Commandant

of the Marine Corps, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE

January 21,

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES